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## **MSPB Announces Appointment of New General Counsel**

Mark A. Robbins, Vice Chairman and acting Chairman of the U.S. Merit Systems protection Board (MSPB), announced his appointment today of **Tristan Leavitt** as General Counsel. Prior to this appointment, Mr. Leavitt served as Principal Deputy Special Counsel at the Office of Special Counsel (OSC).

Prior to joining OSC, he worked for eight years on Capitol Hill, including service on the staff of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee and the Senate Judiciary Committee. Mr. Leavitt received his B.A. from Brigham Young University and his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. He is a native of Idaho Falls, Idaho and a proud husband and father of five.

Acting Chairman Robbins welcomed him to the MSPB. "I've known Tristan for some time now in a variety of the positions he has held. Working with him over the years, I came quickly to respect his intelligence, commitment to issues and policy concerning the Federal civil service, and trust his judgement."

The U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB) is an independent, quasi-judicial agency whose mission is to protect the Merit System Principles and promote an effective Federal workforce free of Prohibited Personnel Practices.